

OSU-PSU Collaboration Fund

We are pleased to announce the OSU-PSU Collaboration Fund with a focus on offering start-up funds for pilot projects between OSU and PSU faculty. Dozens of existing and past projects have benefitted from collaboration across our two campuses. We want to accelerate opportunities for research collaboration to serve our communities better by supporting the best our universities have to offer.

Recognizing that these experiences often require extra resources beyond faculty time, the fund offers seed monies to faculty across the two institutions for fiscal year (2015-2016) to support expenses associated with community-engaged inter-institutional projects. These awards may support transportation to off-campus sites, project materials, start-up, support monies associated with joint workshops, forums, symposiums, and material development i.e. instructional resources, wages for assistance with logistics etc., funding partial student interns i.e. undergraduate, graduate students focused on the project.

Leadership from OSU and PSU will provide an opportunity for faculty from OSU and PSU to apply for collaborative funding, in three distinct areas to enable faculty to engage with Oregon communities. Project support is aimed at improving conditions in Oregon communities from an inter-institutional fund based on established criteria and available monies.

Eligibility:

All OSU and PSU professional and instructional faculty are eligible to submit a proposal. Proposals from inter-institutional teams of faculty are encouraged particularly in the areas of:

- **Healthy People**
- **Prosperous Communities**
- **Flourishing Agriculture and Natural Resources**

Proposal requests may be up to \$2,000 for each project with anticipated funds to support several projects in each of the three distinct areas identified. Certain line items may not be eligible for funding due to restrictions on the use of OSU-PSU Education and General Funds. We recognize this is a modest beginning which can be supplemented by faculty contributing in-kind resources as appropriate to. Our intention is the collaboration will lead to further engagement with faculty between institutions as resources are garnered for larger joint projects.

Submission Details:

Submit to both Patrick Proden, OSU Metro Regional Administrator via email (patrick.proden@oregonstate.edu) and Shelia Martin, PSU Director of Urban Studies (sheilam@pdx.edu). Proposals should be outlined in two pages max, and should include an additional spreadsheet page displaying line-item expenses. **The submission deadline is December 18, 2015. Grant funds must be expended by June 30, 2016.** Specific details that are required in the proposal include:

- 1) **Name, title, department of the project lead from each institution**
- 2) **Other faculty, staff, partners and stakeholders involved in the project,**
- 3) **Project narrative:**
 - a. What is the collaborative project between institutions for which funding is requested?
 - b. What is the project time and location (s) of the activity?
 - c. How does the collaborative project fit into one or more of the 3 themes outlined above. Describe why this is important to each of our institutions and to the communities the project will serve.
 - d. How many people will this activity reach, including all learners, faculty/staff, and community members?
- 4) **Evaluation:**
 - a. How will you evaluate the project?
 - b. What is the intended impact?
 - c. Describe what success looks like at the end of the funding period and at future milestones.
 - d. What can be shared with other faculty and programs as a promising practice or lesson learned?
- 5) **Budget:** Provide a statement of budget categories, amounts, other resources (in-kind) applied to project and a timeline for expenditure; include a spreadsheet of itemized budget items in your submission.